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An HCA signs determinations and findings required by FAR6.202.

Subpart 506.3 - Other than Full and Open Competition

506.303 Justifications.

506.303-1 Requirements.

(a) *Proposing a class justification.* If you determine that the facts supporting other than full and open competition would be present in other GSA contracting activities, you should propose a class justification. Recommend through appropriate channels that the Senior Procurement Executive approve a class justification for all GSA contracting activities. This does not apply to justifications based on the authority of [41 U.S.C. 253\(c\)\(7\)](#), which does not permit class justifications.

(b) *Justifications based on [41 U.S.C.253\(c\)\(7\)](#).* For a justification based on the authority of [41 U.S.C. 253\(c\)\(7\)](#) (see FAR 6.302-7), submit the justification for the Administrator's approval through the Senior Procurement Executive.

(c) *Justifications for contract actions subject to the Agreement on Government Procurement.* When you acquire eligible products without full and open competition using the authority in FAR 6.302-3(a)(2)(i) or 6.302-7, furnish a copy of the approved justification to the Senior Procurement Executive. The Senior Procurement Executive will transmit the justification to the U.S. Trade Representative.

Subpart 506.5 - Competition Advocates

506.501 Requirement.

The appointment of the procuring activity competition advocate by the HCA must be communicated to the procuring staff, the agency competition advocate and the Senior Procurement Executive.